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SENATE AND HOUSE COMMITTEES COMING

LEGISLATIVE JUNKETEERS TO VISIT FISH HATCHERY

The hatchery committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State legislature and members of the Department of Conservation are due to arrive in Grayling Friday afternoon to inspect the local fish hatchery.

This is the week when standing committees of the legislature are visiting their places of responsibility for the usual first-hand inspections. These particular committees are visiting all the fish hatcheries of the State. The party consists of about 35 members.

According to the schedule on file they will arrive in Grayling in their special car on the afternoon train from the north, and will remain until the 12:05 train at night when they will continue on to Bay City. While in Grayling they will be guests of the Grayling Board of Trade and will be tendered a banquet at Shoppenagons Inn in the evening.

Local citizens wishing to attend the banquet are requested to notify Secretary A. J. Joseph promptly.

WINTER SPORTS HAVE RESUMED

Winter sports are active again after being blocked by heavy snow storms of the past week. Tobogganing has resumed and crowds are again enjoying the coasting. Two slides are now finished and they are without doubt the best and fastest slides in Michigan.

If it is thrills that the people want they are going to have them this year. Upon leaving the takeoff the toboggan soon takes a decided dip and a rise then a long slide and a hop off onto Lake Margrethe then a long slide over the ice. The estimated speed is 101 miles an hour and one realizes he is traveling soon! Every one is bubbling over with enthusiasm over the sport.

As for safety, this slide is as free from any chances of an accident as it may be possible to make it. From youngsters to grownups, they "have the time of their lives" according to what they say.

Already there are reports of outside parties planning to come to Grayling to enjoy the winter sports, and it looks as tho the old town was going to get very busy again soon. And as the news gets broadcast it is bound to make Lake Margrethe toboggan slide the most talked of place for winter sports in Michigan.

Ice skating has had a few days setback due to the heavy snows but the committees are busy and will soon have ice skating on the program too. Also skiing and snowshoeing is being demanded and provisions will be made for trails and stop-over places just as fast as those in charge are able to get them planned.

Get into the game and enjoy this most thrilling sport. If you have friends out of town they will ever be grateful if you will invite them to come to Grayling for winter sports. Everything is ideal and ready for your pleasure. A charge of 25c a day and night is made for all persons over 14 years of age. This charge is made in order to care for the upkeep of the slides.

Michelson Memorial Church

John Wilfred Greenwood, Minister

Sunday, January 20, 1929

10:30 a. m. The first sermon in the series entitled, "What I believe." Theme: "I believe in God, the Father Almighty."

7:30 p. m. The Sin of Ignorance—"Peer Gynt" by Ibsen.

A Minister's Deepest Needs There are two incidents in the Bible which are strangely suggestive to the man in the ministry. To him they have infinite meaning, and probably more than anyone else, he is able to understand them experimentally.

The first one has to do with the life of Jesus. It was growing near to its tragic close. The Passover was being held at Jerusalem. The powers of a conservative ecclesiasticism were bent on killing the Master. The shadow of the cross was upon His path, so that each night found him much in prayer. Outside of Jerusalem He went to the garden of Gethsemane. There was intense praying there. And in the Book we read, "And He took with Him, Peter and James and John." Here was a soul that longed for spiritual fellowship. Here was a Christ who realized that "man cannot live by bread alone."

The other incident has to do with the great apostle, Paul. He was writing to the Church at Corinth and making an appeal for funds to carry on the missionary enterprise of the Church. He realized that finance had its place in the program. But he was also aware that there would be those who would say with the modern cynic of today, "Every man has his price." For there will always be those who impugn wrong motives to life's noblest servants. And so Paul, in this same desire for fellowship, cries out, "I want yourselves and your money." He realized that finances, in that case, adjust themselves. That money comes as part of the deeper fellowship.

Where is the Minister who would not seriously subscribe to this statement—"that his greatest need is spiritual fellowship." It is that which makes the Church wonderful, and the ministry alluring.

There can be no substitute for it.

Almost Forgotten Name

Alman is an archaic name for Germany, derived probably from the French name for the country, "Alle raigne."

REPORT ON CHRISTMAS FUND

Report of committee on collections and disbursement of money raised for the Community Christmas Fund is as follows:

Amount collected \$339.50
Amount used for baskets, toys etc. 332.50
Balance \$ 7.00
This amount was voted to be used for emergency charity cases or be held over until next Christmas.

Coming

Dr. A. S. Allard, optometrist of Bay City, will be in Grayling at Shoppenagons Inn Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 30 from 1:00 to 4:30 p. m. Eyes examined and glasses fitted that give years of comfort at a reasonable price. Cross eyes straightened without drugs or knife. Remember the date, Grayling, Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 30.

DR. A. S. ALLARD,
Optometrist.



1—Landing of the army plane Question Mark after its record-breaking flight of more than 150 hours. 2—Representatives of United States and nineteen Latin American nations signing treaties of arbitration and conciliation in Washington. 3—Launching of the new British battleship Norfolk on the Clyde river.

HERMAN LUNDEN DROPS DEAD

OUTSTANDING FIGURE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN EXPIRES AT BANQUET

Herman Lunden, the "grand old man" of Northern Michigan, is dead. He died as he lived, extolling the attributes of Michigan and urging conservation of natural resources.



HERMAN LUNDEN.

reforestation, fire prevention and other things that were so close to his heart.

The slender tendril of life snapped for Herman Lunden just as he had finished his address at a good roads banquet at the Hotel Wenonah, Bay City. In a voice tremulous with feeling, he had completed his speech with the words, "I am getting old and I do not know how long I shall be with you, but we should do all we can to complete road projects in Michigan so that this great area in all its beauty will be easily available to our children and their children," when he sank into his chair and expired.

Scores of his friends who were present at the banquet shared the opinion expressed by one that Mr. Lunden died as he would have chosen to had he any volition in this crisis—asserting his confidence in Michigan's future and urging improvements which would hasten its arrival.

In the death of Herman Lunden Northern Michigan has not only lost one of its best known, most beloved and most valued citizens but one who probably more than any other man contributed in time, money and energy to the prosperity and advancement of the section as a whole.

Mr. Lunden's business interests while tremendous were never so important that he could not divorce himself from them to participate in any movement which held promise of advancement for Michigan, Northern Michigan and NorthEastern Michigan, agriculturally, industrially and recreationally. He gave freely of his money to all projects, but his most important contribution was the donation of his time and energy because coupled with his robust enthusiasm was his superb judgment. He had the faculty to an unusual degree of communicating his enthusiasm to others.

The spirit of sacrifice which animated him was exemplified in the circumstances which ended in his death. Mr. Lunden had nothing to gain in a material way from his activities outside his business connections and affiliations. He had ample of the world's goods to give him all of life's comforts. But inherent in him was the spirit of service. This spirit in him was never latent. And it was this spirit which impelled him to interest himself in all things which were calculated to improve the state which he loved so well and the residents of the section in whom he was so keenly interested.

Herman Lunden, a native of Sweden, came to Michigan when he was a youth of 20 years, without friends. (Continued on last page)

CHURCH CHOIR GOES TO GAYLORD

The choir of Michelson Memorial church will render a cantata at the Methodist church at Gaylord next week Wednesday evening, Jan. 23rd at 8:00 p. m. fast time. The title of the cantata is "The Light Eternal" by Petrie.

This cantata was given by this well known choir during Christmas week at the local church and was wonderfully received. They were to go to Gaylord the following night but because of illness in that city it was postponed.

The cantata is under direction of Mrs. C. G. Clippert. The music lovers of Gaylord are fortunate in having an opportunity to hear this fine musical organization in "The Light Eternal."

ELECTRIC CO. APPLIES PENALTY

In accordance with provisions permitted by the Public Utilities commission of Michigan the Michigan Public Service Co., beginning for the month of December, is applying a penalty on delinquent payments—after the 10th of the month following the month of service.

In collecting 1c per Kw-hr in addition to the charge as shown on the Company's statement caused considerable consternation among quite a number of patrons who didn't happen to pay by the 10th, and necessitated more or less of explaining on the part of the office force.

Reference was made in such cases to a legal notice that was published in the Avalanche October 11th and 18th setting forth the new proposed rates and terms. The paragraph pertaining to that part of the notice, as taken from the official notice, reads as follows:

Prompt Payment:
The above rates are net and an additional charge of 1c per kw-hr will be made on all bills remaining unpaid on the 10th day of the month following that in which the service was rendered.

It appears that at the time the official legal notice was published the public was more concerned in the figures setting forth the proposed rates and the matter of delinquent payments was given scant or no attention.

Pursuant to the statutes the Michigan Public Utilities commission set Friday, October 26th as the date for a public hearing upon the proposed rates to be held at their offices in Lansing. At the hearing there was some opposition to the plan and the hearing was continued to a latter date in order to give those who wished further time for looking into the matter to do so. The Village Council and Grayling Board of Trade were represented at the hearing.

Local authorities and a Board of Trade committee invited Mr. Swanson, the district manager of the Public Service Co., of Cheboygan, to come to Grayling and help to enlighten the public on the problem of rates. This he did at an open meeting of the Board of Trade when there were about 80 people present and his explanation and computations seemed to convince those present that the change would lower the rates in most cases. In a very few the change would increase the rates, however, everything seemed to be satisfactory.

Just about everyone seemed to be satisfied with the results of the new rates as demonstrated in the statements received covering the December service. But the matter of having to pay an additional 1c per kw hour after the tenth was quite a surprise to many. Nearly everyone paid and have already forgotten the matter. Others can't get over talking about it and some paid under protest and still others refused to pay the penalty at all. The fact that the plan of the penalty is accepted by the Michigan Public Utilities commission it

DOINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

There has been nothing about the opening week of the State Legislature to give indication that Michigan is to have a record short session this winter, except as urged by the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives in their opening messages to the Legislative branches. Both houses of the Legislature took recess on Jan. 10 to Jan. 21 to make the customary rounds of state institutions to study their conditions and needs.

Among the first matters to be offered for consideration was a blanket appropriation measure introduced as an administration bill and providing for appropriations to cover all the financial requirements of the state for the biennial period. This is an innovation in state legislation in that it is the first time the Legislature has had a definite, complete figure at the opening of the session, showing what all the institutional and departmental requirements will be.

A most unique feature of the bill was the exclusion of items for buildings at the state institutions. The measure provides for a separation of this phase of institutional requirements and operating costs, leaving the latter to be taken care of by the property tax but placing new building costs under a proposed income tax scheme which would take some 23 million dollars from the inheritance tax collected for the federal government during the ensuing four years by making it possible for (Continued on last page)

would hardly seem possible that any responsible parties could escape it. However we feel that the Company is lame in not having specifically notified their patrons of the penalty clause. This should show on their statements, then there could be no excuse for the neglect to pay.

The collection of the penalty meant quite a few added dollars to the month's receipts but we do not feel that that is what the Company desires. The prompt payment of electric accounts is of more importance to the Company than the additional dollars.

In view of the fact that so many patrons were wholly ignorant of the proposed penalty, wouldn't it be a good plan if the Company returned to those who were only a few days tardy in their payments the excess money they paid?

Of course in the future it would behoove everyone to pay on or before the time limit—10th of the month following the month of service.

School Notes

(Written by the students of the English classes.)

Song to Grayling High
(Tune—America)
Grayling High is to me
Just what a school should be
Everyone knows.
Each pupil should be proud
Members to be allowed
Good conduct to be vowed
By all who go.

As members of this school
Each one should keep the rule.
For all the time.
Students cooperate
Before it is too late
Then form an estimate
Of future time.

—Effie Hunter.

Everyone is studying hard and reviewing for examinations. This week brings the six weeks tests, and next week, semester exams. That means catch up on your work; and if you have missed anything in class, get busy right now or there'll be more down-hearted people in the world when report cards come out, than there have been previously. Let's hope that we can all raise our marks and hold our peace forever—at least 'till examination time again.

Grayling H. S. boys, first and second, and girls' teams took three victories from Roscommon. The first game between the reserve squads of both schools was an easy victory for the locals, taking the lead at the start and never losing it. Both teams put up a good game. The final score was 25-8.

The girls' team started off with a bang and played rings around their opponents. The locals showed very good team work, working the ball under the basket for "dog" shots. The final score was 40-10.

The boys won their sixth straight victory from the fast Roscommon team. Roscommon failing to get the ball through the Grayling defense had to resort to long shots. The locals resorted to a passing game to bring them victory, which was very successful. The final score was 31-7.

Bogus' Basket Ball Bobbies Win From Roscommon 40-10

The girls game started off with a bang, Grayling getting the first basket. The ball was tossed up, and Roscommon, recovering the ball from Grayling, made their first basket. Grayling girls were off to make their forty and didn't stop until it was made. There was one pass used by our girls that made everyone sigh. A tip-off from Lilly to Mary, a pass to Libby, an overhead shot to Clara and the basket was ours. Very seldom the hands of our opponents touched the speeding ball when this play was in action. The lineup was:

Grayling 40	Roscommon 10
L. Bickford	LG
M. Gardner	RG
A. Cherven	C
P. Sopcak	SC
N. Frye	LF
M. Sopcak	RF
E. Swanson	
I. Randolph	
L. Swanson	
M. Schumann	
C. Bugby	
E. Matson	

The next game will be at Gaylord Friday with the High School team. The game will be held in the auditorium.

Grayling was defeated last Saturday night in the first affirmative debate with Roscommon at a score of 2-1. Grayling debaters did their utmost to help Grayling succeed, but fate seemed against them as Roscommon secured the winning point. At the outset both teams seemed evenly matched, but Roscommon later proved herself to be better than the home team. The team is working hard to be in shape for the next debate with Gaylord on January twenty-fifth.

Among those present were Miss Richards, Ellen Gothro, Alton Jarmin, and William Garner of Grayling High School. Jerome Kessler deserves praise for his splendid work in this debate, it being his first. The other two were veterans of the negative (Continued on last page)

SNOWPLOW OPENS VILLAGE STREETS

The City Fathers have chosen a wise course for keeping the highways open for traffic by having the streets plowed for the removal of snow. Now it is possible for autos to reach practically all streets in the village.

It has been the custom in the past to keep the snow on the sidewalks plowed out, but that didn't help those wishing to use their cars on side streets and at times it was practically impossible to reach some of the homes. Since the County Road Commission purchased a fine large Stewart truck with scraper and snow plow combined it has been kept busy not only on the county roads but on township and village highways as well.

We understand that it is the plan now not to do any more sidewalk snow plowing but instead to use the large snow plow for keeping the highways open. The results of the first trial have been loudly acclaimed by everyone who has had occasion to use the side streets.

The big plow has been keeping the highways open in several directions from town to all parts of the county. The trials and tribulations of the northlands common to this region in former years have about disappeared. There is no longer such a thing as being "snowed in" from early winter to spring time. The trunk line highways blazed the way in keeping highways open all winter and now the county and township authorities are taking the cue and as a result the people are no longer compelled to "house-in" for the winter. Autos come and go in almost any direction with little apprehension of being stalled because of blocked highways. Let the good work go on!

GRAYLING HIGH SCHOOL COPS THREE GAMES

The local High School basketball teams took three games from the Roscommon High School teams here last Friday night. The boy's first team winning 31-7, the boy's second string coping 24-8 and the girl's team smothering the Roscommon ladies 40-10.

The boy's first team game was the most interesting, probably because of Ellis Daugherty, former Grayling boy, playing for the Roscommon five. However Roscommon did not seem able to get into action and the locals proved to be far superior.

The lineup:
Grayling 31
Neal
Stinchcomb
Brady
Fenton
Wylie
Referee: Milnes.
Roscommon 7
Daugherty
Emery
Wallace
Loughery
Curnalia

Has to Be Ingrown
There is no formula for a successful personality.—American Magazine.



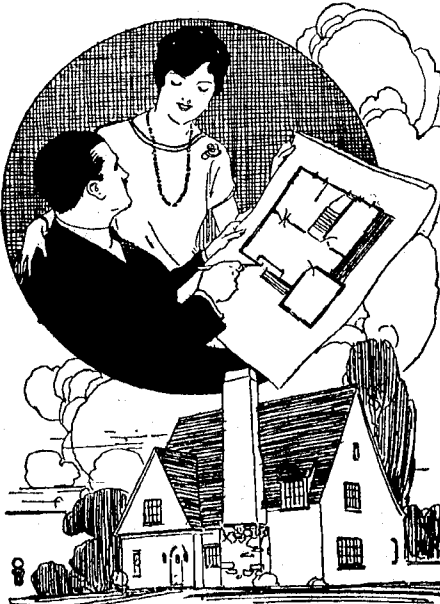
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Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO.

Thursday, January 18, 1906

Pay your taxes! It doesn't pay to have them returned.

Miss Hanson, a cousin of Wilhelm Rase, arrived from Denmark Tuesday morning. Mr. Rase met her at Detroit.

Looks like a sure thing on a telephone line from Grayling to Portage Lake, to Beaver Creek and probably on to Higgins Lake.

The Board of Supervisors listened to some fine music furnished by the Citizens Band last Wednesday night at the band room. They pronounced it the "Best ever" but we want it stopped, for fear they will remain in session at the expense of the county for the sake of hearing it more often.

The "January thaw" which struck us Saturday night continued with light rain Sunday and more Monday, but caught cold at night and Tuesday could well be called a snowy, blizzard day, but welcomed by the woodsmen who are handling wood and logs.

There is a slight change of time on this division of the M. C. R. R. Look at the card and do not get left.

V. Salling and E. Sorenson went to the west side of the state Monday, on a combined visiting, business, and prospecting tour.

The Circuit Court for the county of Crawford was in session Monday, with no business but the granting a decree for the tax sales on the first day of May.

The value of advertising is exemplified. Joe Kraus had tried for a month to sell a cutter without, and failed, till last week he put a two line ad in the Avalanche Thursday, and made a sale from it Friday morning.

A letter from John Dupree, formerly of Beaver Creek, now living at Earl Grey, Province of Saskatchewan, N. W. Terr., says all are well and prosperous, and therefore satisfied in their new home, but could not exist without the Avalanche.

From now until spring work begins our farmers will have plenty of time to figure on what they will do for the State Fair exhibit this year, to enable this county to bring home a bunch of Blue Ribbons which we can do if we go after them. Will we do it? The Ayes have it, and it will be done.

N. P. Michelson has sold his interest in the Central Hotel to his father and will retire from the hotel business, though he will continue the saloon part until spring, but does not anticipate giving it his personal attention much of the time, as he will seek a new field of labor. The Hotel will be run by his uncle, Peter Michelson, who has lately moved here. The patrons of the house will lose nothing by the change.

Mrs. Osborn left for Chicago Sunday night to enter Madam Hunt's School of Instruction for Milliners.

Many of our readers are skeptical concerning the finding of the Osceola Lead mine as reported last week. We have advised since then from sources that are deemed absolutely reliable, which leads us to say that it is a fact, and we believe it to indicate such a boom for this section as has never been known. Of course we would have had it in some of our near by hills, if we had arranged it, and it may reach out this way, which can be determined by experts after they get the lead, but if not here we congratulate our neighbors and hope their long looked for railroad will materialize within the year, and everything boom in that county.

About thirty residents of the townships of Beaver Creek and Grayling responded last Saturday to the call for a meeting to consider the building of a telephone line from Grayling to Portage Lake and thence on to Beaver Creek. So many were present that the meeting was adjourned from the Avalanche office to the courthouse. J. L. Hannes was chosen chairman and County Clerk J. J. Colleen secretary.

The Goodfellow Club met at the pleasant home of Mrs. James Woodburn, Monday evening despite the inclement weather, eight were present.

(from a membership of twelve) which shows a commendable degree of interest in the club-work. China was the subject of discussion lead by Mrs. Woodburn.

There is a rifle of joy in the schoolhouse, as the new part is practically completed, and the moving will relieve the terrible crowded condition of some of the rooms. Miss Russell will take her, nearly a hundred, babies into the lower story of the new building and will be succeeded by Miss Redhead with her 6th grade, and the partition, which has cooped Miss Crandall up with fifty 2d grade kids, will be removed giving them and her reasonable space. Miss Guild, who has the 7th and 8th grades crowded together, will move to the 2d story of the new building as soon as a 7th grade teacher is here with the 8th grade, and that will allow better service all around. We congratulate both teachers and pupils for the change.

The following officers of Marvin Post, G. A. R. were duly installed at their hall last Saturday evening: Com.—Delevan Smith. S. V. C.—D. S. Waldron. J. V. C.—A. Taylor. Chaplain—H. Trumley. O. D.—R. P. Forbes. O. G.—D. Countryman. Q. M.—John F. Wilcox. Adj.—A. L. Pond.

The following officers of the Ladies' of the G. A. R. were installed last Friday evening:

President—Mrs. Matilda Smith. S. V.—Mrs. Henrietta Countryman. J. V.—Mrs. John Little. Chaplain—Mrs. Sarah Corwin. Treas.—Mrs. Annie Harrington. Sec.—Miss May Smith. Com.—Mrs. Della Wilson. Asst. Com.—Mrs. Bertha Oaks. Guard—Mrs. N. Shellenbarger. Asst. Guard—Mrs. W. Blaine. The W. R. C., No. 162, have elected and installed the following officers for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. H. Trumley. S. V.—Mrs. C. T. Jerome. J. V.—Mrs. L. Fournier. Treas.—Mrs. C. W. Wight. Sec.—Mrs. L. Winslow. Com.—Mrs. Jos. Burton. Chaplain—Mrs. Wm. Woodfield. Guard—Mrs. A. Kraus. Crawford Tent K. O. T. M. M. installed the following officers for the ensuing year:

Com.—J. J. Collen. Lt. Com.—F. Barnard. R. K.—Thos. Nolan. Chaplain—Geo. Crandell. Physician—Dr. S. N. Insley. Sec.—John Gregory. M. at A.—Jos. King. 1st M. of G.—Geo. Leonard. 2d M. of G.—Lee Winslow. Sentinel—Chas. Bickford. Picket—Alonso Webb.

Lovells Correspondence Ray Owen is back at his accustomed place in the store and of course all are glad to see him. Trade has increased so much that two clerks are needed and Mr. Shannon will remain as the other man.

Mrs. Jos. Douglas spent a very pleasant day visiting at Dr. Underhill's ranch last Friday.

Moonlight sleighrides were as popular last week as fishing parties in summer. One on Wednesday evening to Mr. and Mrs. Love's house and another on Saturday evening to camp.

The fine sleighing of last week was threatened by a heavy rain on Monday. Something unusual in January in this country.

Subscribe for the Avalanche.

Backache

If Bladder Weakness, Getting Up Nights, Backache, Burning or Itching Sensation, leg or groin pains make you feel old, tired, peevish, and you don't know why, don't give up. Get Cystex today at Mac & Gidley. Put it to a 48 hour test. Money back if you don't soon feel like new, full of pep, sleep well, with pains alleviated. Try Cystex today. Only 60c.

Owner Refused the State's Offer



This photograph, taken at Milton, Mass., doesn't represent the wake of a tornado, but the present living "quarters" of a citizen who refused the state's offer of compensation for his property. The state needed the property for a new road, so simply cut away the part it wanted. The owner is shown sitting in his living room, awaiting the action of the courts in the case.

ONLY THE DREAMS



"I have a terrible beating in my ears."
"Oh, that's only the drums."

WAS LEFT A PA(U)PER



"She—When my father died I was left a pauper."
"Dumb Dora—Oh, wasn't it nice of him to leave you a papa in his place!"

WON AND LOST



"Why, Sandy, I heard you won to day, two up. You look like you lost."
"Yiss, mon, I did! One ball."

GOOD IDEA



"First Bird—Why does he go to sleep all tied up in a knot?"
"Second Bird—Probably to remind himself of something when he wakes up!"

AT THE GALLERY



"Miss Hibrow—Ah, here's the portrait of a lady executed by Raphael."
"Mr. Lobrough—Well, I don't believe in murdering women, but in this case I can't blame him if he did."

HAT-TRIMMED FLOWER



"She—How do you like my flower-trimmed hat?"
"He—Your hat-trimmed flower is very striking, indeed."

A CIVIL SUIT



"The engrossing topic of American conversation is not politics—it is how many more payments have we to make?"

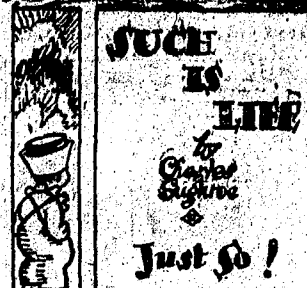
DIPPING INTO SCIENCE

Weight of Water and Ice
Ice formed from a pound of water will weigh a pound after the transformation. Gravitation is not affected in the least by temperature change. Nothing is added nor nothing taken away, therefore the weight is constant. However, the "volume" of the ice is greater because water expands when frozen. (N. Y. Western Newspaper Union.)

First Witness—"My, but the lawyers in this case are polite." Second Witness—"Well, it's a civil suit."

If there is anything in the world more changeable than a woman, it is some other woman.

One of my grocer friends is of the opinion that some of his customers are giving his monthly bills the pocket veto. Maybe the U. S. treasury report accounts for this situation for we note by it, each of us is 98c poorer than we were last year. They missed me when they took count—how about you?



"MAYBE YOU ARE BETTER IN ARITHMETIC. HOW MUCH IS 1/2 OF 1/2?"

FRANKLIN'S THRIFT AS TIMELY NOW AS WHEN HE LIVED TWO HUNDRED YEARS AGO

(By S. W. Straus, President American Society for Thrift.)

The entire world is this month paying tribute to Benjamin Franklin who was born January 17th, 223 years ago and who died on April 17th, 139 years ago. Two centuries have passed since he was at the height of his activities—two centuries in which greater progress has been made in many matters than during the entire previous history of civilization. Notwithstanding all the changes that have come into the world of men—changes in manners, customs, points of view as well as scientific innovations—the sound sense of Franklin's philosophy stands forth now as clearly as it did in the eighteenth century. If Benjamin Franklin were to return to the world today he would see developments that even his great mind and imagination could never have pictured. But he would nowhere see any phase of life to which his simple teachings of thrift could not be applied to advantage.

In Franklin's application of thrift principles he was neither narrow nor indecisive. There were a few fundamentals upon which he stood and upon which all men and all nations must stand if success is to be theirs.

Franklin's thrift did not mean mere money saving. It meant thrift of all possessions and resources. Note the breadth of wisdom compressed in his simple maxim: "Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise."

Another point of Franklin's philosophy was his understanding of the values of hardship. As a boy, with an exceedingly limited income, he lived on vegetables in order that he might save money with which to buy books.

He knew that saving for itself was without value. He knew that without saving certain necessary objectives in life could never be attained.

In our day, inquiry often is made for a system or creed through the practices of which personal success will come. All such inquiries should turn to the writings of Benjamin Franklin. They need have no fear that the truths they learn from this source will prove absolute.

For the philosophy of Benjamin Franklin is of no period. It is of all time.

BOTH INFORMATION AND AMUSEMENT

According to F. Lauriston Bullard, special correspondent of the New York Times, Massachusetts is in a state of chaos as a result of the compulsory liability insurance law. The insurance companies suffered such severe losses during the first year of the law's activities that higher rates became imperative. The insurance commissioner was ordered to fix the future rates. As they were almost double those that had been in effect in the past, an upheaval resulted, in spite of the fact that they were based on facts and statistics, and he resigned.

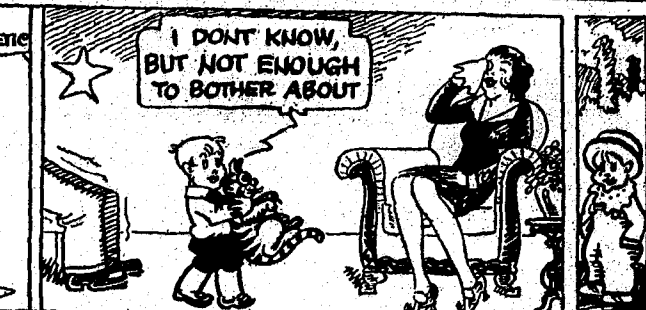
Now the new insurance commissioner has fixed another rate schedule that attempts to cut the cost of doing insurance business, but still the rates range up to 62 per cent more than in the past, according to Mr. Bullard. The necessity for increased rates is the direct result, to a great extent, of organized efforts to defraud the insurance companies. It is well known that a tremendous number of damage cases are pressed when there has been no real injury.

Mr. Bullard says the Massachusetts compulsory insurance experiment is providing the nation with "both essential information and incidental amusement therefrom." C. O. N. Y. the occurrences are not of the sort to encourage sentiment in other states for this form of legislation.

HANGARS NEEDED FOR NAVY'S NEW ZEPPES

Navy Recruiting Station, Detroit: So that the Navy's two new dirigibles, when completed, will not be homeless wanderers, the Navy Bureau of Aeronautics is conducting a survey of aerological and geographical conditions in different parts of the country, with a view to establishing hangars. Atlanta, New Orleans, El Paso, St. Louis, Los Angeles and Seattle are under consideration. The relative smoothness of the air, suitability of the surrounding terrain and the weather record of these places are being carefully investigated.

After the ball is over—off come the shoes.



"I DON'T KNOW, BUT NOT ENOUGH TO BOTHER ABOUT."

AGRICULTURAL NOTES

(By S. W. Straus, President American Society for Thrift.)



If the dairy cow is in good condition feed her all she will respond to in milk production without adding weight.

Keep your timberland working. Idle land pays no interest, and one of the reasons for the present low farm incomes, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture, is the large number of practically idle acres.

Since the practice of removing snow from highways began in 1921, there has been a great increase in snow-removal work, and 111,645 miles of highways in the 36 "snow States" were cleared during last winter, according to the Bureau of Public Roads U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Forests grow in some favored sites almost "while you wait." Only sixteen years ago, Douglas fir were planted in an area of the Siuslaw National Forest, Oregon. Today these firs, although still very young, are producing an average of a cord of wood to the acre. Some of them are 45 feet in height and from 8 to 10 inches in diameter.

The best thing to do with manure is to get it in the land; the next best thing is to get it on the land; and the thing to avoid is leaving it piled outdoors exposed to the weather, where loss will occur from fermentation and leaching. Manure, especially horse manure, if left in loose piles for several months, may decrease 50 per cent or more in fertilizer value, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

If roup appears in the poultry flock, as it is apt to do at this season, treat the fowls by applying twice daily an antiseptic solution to the affected parts, spraying the head or plunging it into the solution. One part of hydrogen peroxide to 3 parts of water, or 2 drams of permanganate of potash to 1 pint of water, can be used. When the inflammation has progressed to the eyes, one or two drops of a 15% solution of argyrol introduced between the eyelids is beneficial. The sick birds should be removed from the flock, and put in a warm, dry, and well-ventilated room.

The question "When is the best time to prune?" was answered by early horticulturists, "Prune when your knife is sharp," but today the recommendations are more specific. The best time to prune fruit trees, generally speaking, is during the dormant season, preferably in late winter or early spring, horticulturists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture say. When pruning peach trees in sections where "bleeding" is likely to occur, however, it may be better to prune early in the winter.

Care used now in putting up ice may mean a larger supply next summer. Put a layer of dry sawdust about a foot thick on the bottom of the ice house, making it a few inches less in the center so that the ice will tend to slide toward the center. Pack the cakes as closely together as possible; if they are irregular in size, fill up the cracks and crevices with small pieces, and trim off any projecting parts. If sawdust or mill shavings are used for insulation, pack them in for at least 12 inches between the ice and the walls.

Outwitting the Skunk
A trapped skunk can be killed without unduly disagreeable odorous consequences if it is approached slowly and quietly and given a sharp blow across the back with a stick. Skunks killed in this way, without being alarmed, do not discharge their scent.



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THE STORY

CHAPTER I—In New York, Hugh Chesby, English World War veteran, recalled a story of a treasure in Constantinople in the existence of which his uncle, Lord Chesby, firmly believed. A cabman, named Hugh, of his uncle's sailing for New York. At the dock Hugh and his cousin, Jack Nash, learned from Watkins, Lord Chesby's valet, that the old gentleman had left with a stranger, purporting to be a friend of Hugh. A mysterious telephone message notified Hugh that his uncle is in a hospital, dying, victim of an assassin. Before his death he bestowed the treasure, and told them it was stored by "Tutu" in the "Prior's Vault." With Lord Chesby's body Hugh and Jack sail for England.

CHAPTER II—In London Hugh and Jack meet their war buddy, Nikka Zaranko, famous gypsy violinist, and pore over some old documents seemingly having a bearing on the treasure and its location. A hidden room, referred to as the "Prior's Vault," is frequently mentioned.

CHAPTER III—Money Hunter, man of shady reputation, but owner of a neighboring estate, calls on Hugh with a party of friends, mostly foreigners. One of them, introduced as "Tutu" (Teodorosch), an Italian, makes a distinctly unfavorable impression on Jack. Conversation turns to the "Prior's Vault." When the party leaves, Jack asserts his belief that he has found a clue to the blood-stained room.

CHAPTER IV—That night Jack, awakened from slumber, discovers three men, one of them Teodorosch, in the library. He calls Hugh and Nikka, and in a fight one of the invaders is killed. The others escape. Jack is sure Teodorosch is "Tutu," and that the three men were seeking the "Prior's Vault" for a clue to the treasure. He and his friends find the hidden room and in documents tell that the treasure is in the balance of the Bucoleon in Constantinople.

CHAPTER V

Hide and Seek

Hugh slipped the penciled translation in his pocket, swiftly rewrapped the Black Letter original and stowed it in the ebony chest, and refastened the iron box, which he returned to its former place on the muffled chest of his dead ancestor. "Come on you chaps."

In the doorway he paused by the body of Teodorosch's gangster.

"What about this?" he demanded. "I won't have him left in there—with those."

"No need to," returned Nikka curtly, emptying the lime-sack as he spoke. "Leave it here."

"It seems to me we have got to move rapidly if we are going to shake off Teodorosch's gang," Hugh said, when they reached the library. "They are full of formidable men. As Nikka warned us they would be. We ought to start for Constantinople this afternoon."

"There's no question of that," assented Nikka. "But what are you going to do with the key to the treasure? You have it in your pocket now, but it is a long journey to Constantinople. Suppose they steal it en route? They may have plenty of opportunities, you know. Personally, I am not sanguine of shaking them off. It will be a simple matter for a gang like Teodorosch's to waylay you or search your baggage."

Hugh flushed.

"I had thought of that," he said. "Er—the fact is—Jack has a cousin—a girl we both know. She and her father are at the Pera palace—she's awfully good sort."

"And the girl?" inquired Nikka, with his quick grin.

"Oh, you'll meet her, too. She's very different from what you'd expect in a cousin of Jack. Anyhow, she knows about this treasure business, and she read of Uncle James' murder, and she's fearfully keen to be in the game with us. My suggestion is that I mail Uncle James' translation of the key to her in Constantinople. Nobody knows that she knows me or has any connection with any of us. She left New York before Uncle James arrived. So it would be perfectly safe in her hands."

"And in the meantime, we'd better commit it to memory," I said.

The others agreed to this, and we read over the brief transcript of the missing half of the instructions until we had the salient directions fixed in our minds. Then we retraced our steps through the passage, climbed out of the Prior's vault and sealed it again; and while Hugh and Nikka motored down to the village post office with the letter for Betty, Watkins and I saw to the necessary packing in preparation for the journey.

On the channel boat we had the sensation of being watched, although we could not have pointed to any persons and accused them of spying; and certainly none of the members of the Hillyer house party was in evidence.

At Calais we passed the customs and passport officials expeditiously because both Hugh and Nikka were personages—a doubtful asset, as we were soon to learn. And on the Paris train we actually thought that we had eluded surveillance—until we rolled into the Gare du Nord and started to disembark. It was Nikka who discovered the little red chalk mark on the door of our compartment, and Watkins spotted a furtive individual, who slunk down the corridor as we stepped into it, a rat-faced fellow of the Apache type.

We were all of us familiar with Paris, Nikka and I, perhaps more so than Hugh. As we drove to a small hotel near the Louvre.

The four of us were dithered—remember, we had been studying "on the prod," as Hugh said, since we were in the early morning hours to repel Teodorosch's invasion, and the nervous strain had been wearing. But before

they were on, and by its light I discerned the body of a man dodging



"Oh Monsieur! My Husband! He is So Ill."

we turned in, Nikka telephoned a private number at the prefecture of police.

The result of his call was demonstrated when we went down to breakfast the next morning. A jaunty little man in a top-hat and frock-coat, with spats and a gold-headed cane, flew up to Nikka and embraced him in the center of the lobby. And Nikka introduced him to us as M. Doumergue, commissaire of the police de surveillance, or secret police.

Would he be to us the honor of taking breakfast with us? Male, certainly! It was a pleasure of the greatest to have the company of M. Doumergue and his cher colleagues. He had also examined the dossiers of the individuals Mr. Zaranko had named.

"Of Teodorosch, Messieurs, but little can be said. If you have seen him, then you have seen one whom no police official can claim knowingly to have laid eyes on. But we feel him, Messieurs. We hear of him. We sense his manifold activities. If the stories which others, like yourselves, tell us are true, he is a genius, a monster. He rules the criminal world. He has the brain of a statesman, the instincts of an animal. Him they know well. He has been mixed up in various shady coups, both in Egypt and in Turkey. He has sources of income we have never been able to discover. Prior to this nobody has associated him with Teodorosch."

And this Russian pair! Vassilievich and Vassilievich! They are notorious as international spies. They hold their titles of right, and undoubtedly come of an honorable family or families.

"The Hillyers have been watched since before the war on suspicion of being implicated in dishonorable gambling transactions. But so far, we have not been able to catch them—how is it the excellent Americans say? Ah, yes, witz ze goods."

"Is this of assistance? I deeply regret I cannot add more. But if I can aid you in any way, if you are annoyed in Paris or subjected to observation, pray call upon me."

He bowed himself out.

"That's all very well," remarked Hugh, "and his information is valuable, Nikka, but we can't call on him officially! If we complain of being shadowed at the prefecture of police, they will ask us the object of it; and if we tell them the truth, you can be sure the secret will leak out. No, lads, the only thing for us to do is to dodge our trailers. There's only one thing to do. Where's Watkins? We'll collect him, and break for the first train to Marseilles. They'll expect us to go direct by the Orient express."

We rather prided ourselves on our cleverness as we sat back in a reserved compartment of the Lyons-Mediterranean express, and watched the Tour Eiffel fade against the sky. Hugh valued the sentiments of the three of us, when he stretched out his legs and exclaimed:

"What price Teodorosch's vermin now? I jolly well bet they esteem us artful dodgers."

Nikka smiled.

"Don't be too sure," he cautioned. "Eluding detection is their life work. We are only amateurs."

We loafed through dinner, and complete darkness had shut down when we returned to our compartment.

"I say," exclaimed Nikka, as he switched on the light. "Was your bag up there when we left, Hugh?"

Hugh studied the arrangement of the luggage on the racks.

"Can't say," he admitted finally. "But it ought to show if it's been pawed over."

He hauled it down and opened it. Everything apparently was in perfect order.

"Hold on, though," he cried, pursing his lips in a low whistle. "Wattly, you parked this bag. Don't you usually put razors at the bottom?"

"Yes, your lordship."

"They're on top now. So are my brushes. Everything in order, but what do you say to giving this train a look-over, Jack? If there are any familiar faces aboard we ought to be able to spot them. Nikka, you and Wattly can mount guard here and protect each other until we come back."

Our car was about in the middle of the train, and at my suggestion, Hugh went forward, while I followed the corridor toward the rear. I did not see anyone who looked at all like any of the members of Teodorosch's gang whom I knew. In fact, the passengers were the usual lot of ones on a Continental through-train.

I was returning and had reached the rear end of our car when I heard a scream just behind me and a door crash open. I turned involuntarily. A woman in black, with a veil flying around her pale face, ran into the corridor, hesitated, and then seized me by the arm.

"Oh, Monsieur! My husband! He is so ill," she cried in French. "He dies at this moment. I pray you, have you a flask?"

The tears were streaming from her eyes; her face was convulsed with grief. I reached for my flask.

"Calm yourself, madame," I said. "Do you take this. I will ask the guard how to find a physician."

"Oh, no, no," she protested. "He has fallen. He is so heavy I cannot lift him. And he dies, monsieur! Oh, mon Dieu! Mon Dieu!"

I slipped past her into the compartment, took up the woman, and one of the

We can easily see that you had your friends in your car.

"You'll find it harder, the longer you delay," I flashed at her. "You are educating us."

She laughed as merrily as a convent schoolgirl.

"So I see." She leaned closer, coaxingly. "Now, just between the two of us—we're Americans, aren't we?—what did you find behind the chimney? Come, let's get this over with. We'll make an accommodation. Think—"

There was a buzz of voices in the corridor. I heard a dry official monotone, then Hugh's clipped, English French and Nikka's smooth accent.

A hand rattled on the knob of the door. The woman slipped off her waist, dropped her skirt over her shoulders, and in two consecutive movements, as she unlocked the door, she clutched her finger about her. Teodorosch reached up one hand and switched off the single light; his other hand compressed my neck and throat so that I could hardly breathe. She pushed open the door.

"Why the disturbance, messieurs?" she questioned slyly in French with the Parisian tang. "In here we have illness. Is it necessary?"

One look was enough for them. I suppose. It would have fixed me. I know. I heard Hugh's boyish gasp, and Nikka's apology.

"It was a mistake, madame. A friend of mine is missing. We thought—"

"Here we are only ourselves," she assured them holding the door wider.

Hugh cursed bluntly in Anglo-Saxon, and the guard joined his voice in hectic phraseology. The woman slowly reclosed the door.

"The light, once more, Teodorosch," she whispered, and then she sank on the seat and laughed as she had before like a schoolgirl on a lark.

She rearranged her hair, picked up her veil, and skirt, and put them on as usually as though she was in her boudoir.

"This writing that you found," she resumed her questioning, "is it definite? You may nod or shake your head."

I did neither.

"Very well," she answered patiently. "We will try you further."

And for two hours she shot questions at me, attacking the problem from every conceivable angle, always with her eyes glued on my eyes, always vigilant for any sign of acquiescence or denial. At last she leaned back a trifle wearily.

"We approach Lyons," she said. "I shall let you go this time. Mr. Nash, principally because if we killed you it might frighten your friends away. Above everything, if we cannot learn the secret first, we must get you to Constantinople."

Teodorosch took from one of her bags a length of stout rope, and tied my legs from ankle to knee. The woman donned hat and furs and pulled my shoulder.

"I wish you were with us, my friend. Ah, well, one wishes for the moon. Be of stout heart, and remember that Helene de Cespedes has saved you from the knife. I fancy we shall meet again, and I cannot promise always to be so kind-hearted."

She let Teodorosch collect their two bags, saw him to the door and then switched off the single light. They went out, the door closed, and I was in darkness. Suddenly, the door was reopened. The head of Helene de Cespedes showed against the lights in the corridor.

"Here is the key to those wristlets," she whispered, sliding it along the seat toward me. "Your friends can unlock them when they find you. I don't believe in being too hard on an enemy—when you don't have to be. Well, so long, boy."

I chuckled to myself as the door clicked the second time. She was a character, and an ordinary woman. I was still reflecting on the amazing three hours I had experienced in that railway compartment, when the brakeman took hold, and the train slowed to a stop between the brightly lighted platforms of the Lyons station. There was the customary clatter of arriving and departing passengers. Footsteps sounded on the corridor outside; a hand wrenched at the door; and a guard bundled in, with two people behind him. As he turned on the light his face was a study in consternation. The two people with him bolted pell-mell into the corridor, shrieking in terror. The guard stood fast, and stared at me, stroking his chin.

"Sacre bleu!" he muttered to himself.

At that moment Hugh, attracted by the rumpus the two startled passengers were making in the corridor, forced his way into the compartment, shoved the guard headlong on the floor and grabbed me by the arm.

"Are you all right, old man?" he cried. "For God's sake, what have they done with you?"

I motioned to the key on the seat, and he fitted it clumsily to the handcuffs. Nikka and Watkins ran in about this time; the guard regained his feet; the two passengers returned; somebody fetched the police.

To the latter I told a basty cock-and-bull story. Bandits had assailed me, searched me for valuables which luckily I did not possess, and left me as I was found. The police, impressed by Hugh's title and my assertion that we had no important business engagement in Marseilles, placed no obstacles in the way of our departure.

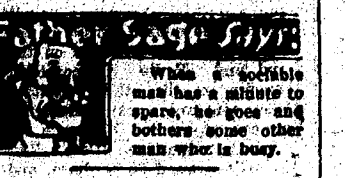
So the express steamed out of Lyons ten minutes late, and Hugh and Nikka and Watkins escorted me back to our own compartment. And when I reached there, and was safe from observation, I jangled the handcuffs before their eyes and lay back and laughed until they thought I was hysterical.

"It may have been funny for you," snapped Hugh. "It certainly wasn't for us."

"It's funny for all of us," I insisted, wiping the tears from my eyes. "It's a joke—on me. Don't you see it, Hugh? You were claiming that we had shaken them off. That we could sound the 'Stole Away.' And then, they snatched our baggage and kidnapped me on a crowded train. I tell you they are artists. There never was such a gang."

Nikka gripped at me. "Don't be down-hearted, you chaps. The law of averages works in these affairs as in everything. And anyhow, I've got a plan."

(To be continued.)



Who Has Missing Half of Cullinan Diamond?

When the Cullinan diamond, the largest in the world, estimated to be worth up to \$25,000,000, and which is among the British crown jewels, was dug from the earth at the Premier mines at Cullinan, South Africa, in 1905, it was found that one side was so flat and smooth that it was considered to be only part of a much bigger diamond. The enormous half brother, however, has never been found, although scientists, diamond miners, financiers, geologists and thieves have been searching for it for twenty-three years. Its whereabouts and even its existence are one of the world's mysteries.

South Africa abounds with strange stories of the missing half of the Cullinan diamond. One version is that it was found by a native worker in the diamond mines who feared to dispose of it because of the strict law governing the illicit selling of stones. A notorious criminal, once almost had his hands on it; the story goes, but he attempted to trick the native who was prepared to sell it to him and the native fled with the diamond.

Mud Walls of House Defy Time's Ravages

Near Stella, Amherst island, at the eastern extremity of Lake Ontario, is a mud house erected 100 years ago and probably the only one of its kind on the North American continent. It should be of archeological and historical interest because it differs from the adobe brick houses of the Southwest in one place. They were evidently built in a form, and the clay, mixed with straw, was tamped into place with saplings imbedded about six inches apart. A correspondent of the Toronto Globe says the house was built for a British army officer who sent to Ireland for a mechanic skilled in such construction. In the latter country there are many similar houses, other building material being scarce. The walls of the Amherst island house were made eleven feet high and four feet thick and were originally plastered, but now are protected by clapboards. Other than that no changes or repairs have been made in the century of its existence.

Leader and Led

Every man is both leader and led. His range may not be of the lowest and narrowest, but if he is not actually defective, some other looks to him to lead in some petty concern or employment. His range may be of the highest and widest, but even so he must have advice in many fields, and because of his superior intelligence he relies the more upon competent direction in fields and subjects which he has not himself mastered. The head of a state has his trusted and official counselors; but beyond that circle he is under the social guidance of his wife, takes orders from his physician, follows his guide in the northern woods, and may be as clay in the hands of his tailor—Chancellor Brown of New York University.

Modern Things Not New

Many things believed to be modern are not so new, declares a European prober who has just made a report. He declares that the pneumatic tire was invented as early as 1845, but apparently was unwanted as being ahead of its time; the fountain pen was patented in 1809, but found little acceptance, and roller skates were known in 1823, but had no use until the 1870s. The roll-top desk was described in 1772; safety razors in 1792; a loud speaker in 1871; a diving bell in 1804, a periscope in 1702, while the Chinese claim that a bamboo arrangement served as a phonograph many years ago.

His Ambition

"Ambition," said Norbert Quinn, "is a funny thing. My friend, Christopher Morley, prince of fantasy and Twentieth-century Elizabethan, confided that he wished that he could draw and also that he could write successful plays."

"Quite in contrast is my little friend William, who is saving up money to buy an airplane. 'It's a very worthy motive,' I told him. 'You are quite an ambitious boy.'"

"You bet I am!" William agreed and added, "You see, I want to fly over Bobby Willet's yard and drop down bricks on him."

Finding Square of Number

Suppose you desire the square of a certain number, but discover that you have lost the mental power to multiply. How could you find its square? Begin with one and add as many consecutive odd numbers as there are units in the number to be squared. Suppose you want to find the square of six. Add together the first six odd numbers—1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11. The sum of these is 36, the square of six. The square of seven is equal to the sum of the first seven odd numbers taken consecutively. Likewise, the square of ten is equal to the sum of the first ten odd numbers taken consecutively, etc.—Pathfinder Magazine.

B. C. Observatory Found

Believed to have been constructed in 1181 B. C., an astronomical observatory has been unearthed at Susquehanna, Pa. The observatory is in the form of a circle of stones, which served for the observation of the annual equinox of the sun and also as a calendar.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN

Suit pending in the circuit court for the county of Crawford, in Chancery.

At my office in Grayling, Michigan, on January 7th, 1929.

Louis Savage, plaintiff, vs. Augusta Chahassey and Shoppemag Holding Corporation, defendants.

In pursuance of a decree of the circuit court for the county of Crawford, in chancery, made and entered on the 11th day of October, 1928, in the above entitled cause, I, the undersigned, a circuit court commissioner of the county of Crawford, shall sell at public auction or vendue to the highest bidder at the front door of the court house in the village of Grayling, in said county of Crawford, on the twenty-first day of February, A. D. 1929, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day all those certain lands and premises, situate in said county of Crawford, described as follows:

The fractional northwest quarter and the west half of the northwest quarter and the fractional southwest quarter, and the southeast quarter of section six; the entire fractional section seven; the west half, and the west half of the east half of section seventeen, and the south half of the fractional southwest quarter of section eighteen; and lot four of section eighteen; all in township twenty-eight north of range one west; also the west half of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter, the east half of the northeast quarter, and the east half of the southeast quarter, and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section one; the north half, the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter, the east half of the southeast quarter and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section twelve and the east half of the southeast quarter of section eleven, all in township twenty-eight north of range two west, containing 2466.81 acres of land more or less according to the government survey thereof, excepting however so much of said above described land as are occupied by the right of way of the Michigan Central Railroad Company.

MERLE F. NEILIST, Circuit Court Commissioner.

Townsend & Blittze, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

Business address: Grayling, Mich. 1-10-6

ORDER OF NOTICE ON PETITION FOR DISCHARGE

On this 18th day of December A. D. 1928, on reading the foregoing petition, it is ordered by the Court in accordance with Section 3, Number XII, General Orders in Bankruptcy, that the matter of said petition be hereby referred to George A. Martson and Paul H. King, each of them, referees in bankruptcy of this Court, to ascertain and report to the Court the facts relating to said petition, and the right of the said petitioner to discharge under the provisions of said acts, and that a hearing be had upon the same on the sixth day of February A. D. 1929 at ten o'clock in the forenoon before said Referees at Bay City, in said district, and that notice thereof be published in the Grayling Avalanche a newspaper printed in said district, and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place to show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered by the Court that the Clerk shall send by mail to all known creditors, copies of said petition and this order addressed to them at their places of residence as stated.

WITNESS the Honorable Arthur J. Tuttle, Judge of said court, and the seal thereof at Bay City, in said District, this 18th day of December, A. D. 1928.

ELMER W. VOORHEIS, Clerk.

By CLARENCE J. PETTIT, Deputy Clerk.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said Court held at the Probate Office in the Village of Grayling in said County, on the second day of January A. D. 1929.

Present: Hon. George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Robert Smith deceased.

Emil Kraus, the duly appointed administrator having filed in said court his final administration account, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof and for the assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate, to the legal and lawful heirs.

It is ordered that the fourth day of February A. D. 1929, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

GEORGE SORENSON, Judge of Probate.

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Local Happenings

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 1929

W. J. Nadeau was in Saginaw on business Monday.

Grayling and Gaylord High School debating teams will meet in conflict at Grayling Friday night, Jan. 25th.

Paul Hendrickson has returned to Fort Wayne, Ind. to continue his studies at the Anthony Wayne Institute.

Marius Hanson and R. S. Balbitz attended the funeral service of Herman Lundén at Gaylord Monday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fletcher and granddaughter Audree Hewitt of the Military reservation were called Tuesday morning to the Park Hotel at Mt. Clemens by the sudden death of Mrs. Fletcher's sister, Mrs. Frank Schmidt.

We are offering some very attractive pre-inventory bargains in glassware, dinnerware, odds and ends in paints and Alabastine, also furniture at from 10 to 50 per cent off.

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On Thursdays and Fridays you can get a shampoo and wave at the Vanity Box for \$1.00. Maxine Colleen, proprietor.

Mrs. P. P. Mahoney of Bay City was in Grayling the last of the week on business, a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McClain.

Teddy Sivons of Mackinaw City visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Sivons the first of the week, returning home Wednesday afternoon.

Grayling High School basketball teams, boys and girls, will play Gaylord Friday night at Gaylord. Let's have a good crowd to accompany the home teams.

The interior of the Hanson Hardware Co. store is looking pretty spiffy with its new coats of paint. It is done in soft white and cream. Joe Fournier is doing the work, which is just about completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Heribson and son Robert, Mr. T. Boeson and Miss Louise Sorenson, have all returned from Detroit, where Mrs. Heribson had been receiving treatment at Harper Hospital. Mrs. Heribson is feeling somewhat improved.

The teachers and officers of the Michelson Memorial church Sunday school had a pot luck dinner at the parsonage Monday evening, after which business matters were discussed and transacted, and pleasant time had by all.

Grant Shaw, chief operator and Walter Nadeau, night operator at the Western Union Telegraph office, have both been absent from their duties because of illness. However both are back on the job again.

Miss Fedora Montour, who is practicing her profession of nurse in Ann Arbor spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Montour. She came with the intention of remaining for a few days but was called back to Ann Arbor the same day, owing to her sister Miss Genevieve having been suddenly ill with an infection in her nose.

Next Sunday morning Rev. Greenwood will begin his series of six sermons on the "Apostles' Creed." For special musical numbers there will be a vocal duet by Miss Vella Brown and Mr. E. H. Webb, entitled "Grant Us Thy Peace," by J. A. Parks, and the choir will sing "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains" by Carrie B. Adams, for their anthem. With a beautiful church, inspiring music and excellent sermon there should be a large attendance at church every Sunday morning.



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Burrow's Market

Phone No. 2

Look into our pre-inventory bargains.

Misses Margrethe and Olga Nelson were guests of Miss Hazel Shankel in Saginaw Sunday.

Mrs. W. S. Chalker was a patient at Mercy Hospital for a few days owing to injuries received in a fall.

Mrs. Charles Fehr, who has been ill with the flu and a patient at Mercy Hospital, has recovered and is feeling fine again.

Miss Helga Jorgenson arrived from Detroit Sunday morning and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rasmus Jorgenson. She will remain for three weeks.

The Killarney Colleens, the fourth and last number of the season's lyceum course, that was scheduled for next week has been postponed until February 28th.

Reva Owens, eleven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Owens, who was taken suddenly sick and her illness diagnosed as spinal meningitis has been dismissed from Mercy Hospital, having fully recovered from her illness. She responded rapidly to the treatment of local physicians and made a most satisfactory recovery.

Edward Waldron, a pioneer resident of this county, but having resided at Standish for the past several years, arrived in Grayling Monday to pay his son Charles Waldron a visit expecting to remain indefinitely. Mr. Waldron at one time owned and resided on the property now owned by Hugo Schrieber Jr.

Hon. Hans Petersen, mayor of Grayling, was united in marriage to Mrs. Annine Peterson on Thursday evening, Jan. 10th. Both Mr. and Mrs. Petersen are pioneer residents of Grayling and have a large circle of friends who will extend best wishes for a happy life. The marriage services were held at the home of the bride, Rev. Peter Kjolhede of the Danish-Lutheran church, of which the contracting parties are members, officiating. The ceremony was witnessed by a few close relatives.

The entire State has been getting a goodly portion of snow so far this month. In fact it has snowed every day this year in Grayling so far and there is about eighteen inches of snow on the level. Over the week end the weather was anything but pleasant and the mercury dropped to about 15 below. Besides this there was some wind which piled the snow up in drifts at some places. The weather has nicely moderated now and it looks as tho we might have some fine normal winter weather ahead of us.

For a local firm to get an order from a distant place is quite out of the ordinary, but as George Burke of the local Ford Garage seemed to be the only agent in the universe who had a new Ford tractor on hand he got an order recently from Nova Scotia. The sale was arranged through the Ford Motor Company of Canada, who had an order to fill and as Ford does not make tractors any more they seemed to be out of luck to make the sale. The Canada Company got in touch with a large number of agents and George Burke happened to be one of them and he was the only one who had a brand-new Ford tractor in his salesrooms. Last week he made the shipment to the K. C. Irving Company, St. Johns, New Brunswick, through the sale arranged by the Canada Company.

Mrs. J. Townsend of Gaylord was a caller at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McKinley last Thursday and Friday. She had brought a little four year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Noiro of Gaylord to Mercy Hospital, but the little girl was in such a serious condition when admitted that she passed away during Thursday night. Oscar Guild of Gaylord is wanted in Gaylord on a warrant charging him with non-support of his family. On top of that he is wanted in Grayling, where he will be charged with bigamy. Last week Guild was united in marriage with Miss Mary Sampson, a girl 15 years of age. Guild claimed to be a chauffeur for a trucking concern in Pontiac, to which place he returned soon after his marriage here and as yet has not been located by officers.

"Backward, turn backward, O Time in thy flight, make me a child just for tonight," Misses Kathryn Brown and Ruth McNeven must have had this in mind when they arranged their party, which took place at the home of the former last evening. Each guest came clad as a little girl and bringing their dolls and teddy bears. After their arrival they were given cards to sew for which Miss Olga Nelson won the prize. They were then treated each to a bowl of bread and milk as little folks must have food at certain intervals. Lotto and "Cootie" were played during the evening, Miss Agnes Hanson winning the prize for the latter. The hostesses later decided something more substantial should be served the little ones and so they were invited to the dining room, where a prettily decorated table was set. Pink predominating as the color scheme the centerpiece was a large cupie doll guarded by pink tapers. Favors were pink baskets of candies and nuts. It was a very enjoyable affair.

There is a big bargain awaiting someone who can use the property now used as a blacksmith shop by John Schram, located on U. S. 27 and comprising 1 1/2 lots. This property must be sold soon. If interested don't wait, or you may be too late. Also the house just vacated by the Allen McCready family—five rooms, electric lights, garage. Property in fine condition. Phone 111. O. P. Schumann, Administrator.

It's a poor town nowadays that can't support at least one red and green traffic light.

JANUARY Clearance Sale!

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Only Two More Days

To Take Advantage of These Tremendous Savings!



Don't fail to take advantage of the

1-2 off

Clearance on Ladies' Winter Coats

Boys' Sox Rubbers, a real Bargain
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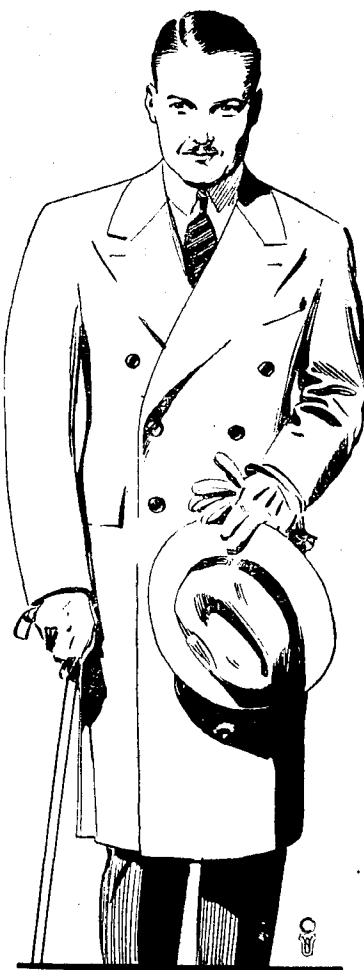
Boys' all wool Slip-over Sweaters with Shawl collars—a real Value
\$2.95

1-4 off on Overcoats

Only a few left to Close Out

Men's, Boys', Women's and Children's Union Suits
25% off

Blankets for these Cold Nights—Wool or Cotton at Reduced Prices



Ladies' Shoes

in a Great Clearance—entire stock at

20% off

Choice of the house—clearance of

Ladies' Hats \$1.95

Men's and Boy's Leather Coats, Mackinaws and Sheepskins at

1-4 off

Men's Suits

New—at

1-3 off

A Real Bargain--Men

Entire Stock of

Dress Goods

including Serges, Crepes, Flannels and Fancy Dress Goods at

1-3 off

Don't Wait! Only 2 More Days Left!

Grayling Mercantile Co.

The Quality Store

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Michigan to levy a 5 per cent income tax annually with this diversion in mind. The 23 million dollars indicated is shown as the total amount required under the administration's building program which takes into consideration plans for the next 10 years.

The total property tax, according to the appropriation measure, would be approximately \$68,000,000 for the biennium, \$38,939,992 being the first year's levy proposed and \$38,855,157 for the second year. This would be a property tax relief of about seven million dollars for the two years, and is the first definite attempt at reducing the property tax that has been suggested by any administration in recent years in Michigan.

Provision is made in this measure to set aside a million dollars annually for use by the administration board at its discretion in emergencies. An increase of funds for the state department of public safety is recommended to enable the state police force to increase its staff of patrolmen, for the trunkline highways.

Regarding the pay of the legislators, under the new rate of pay voted them last fall by the taxpayers, a measure introduced in both Houses after careful consideration by a joint committee, would allow the lawmakers \$300 a month during the session and, after the session closes, \$80 a month, after the lapse of sufficient time to allow the regular pay schedule of \$3 a day, as voted by the taxpayers, to "catch up" so to speak, with the amounts paid during the session. This plan would mean the solons would draw no pay for a time, after the Legislature adjourns, because they would have been paid slightly in advance.

The first attempt at revising the schedule of distributing motor vehicle taxes was made by Rep. Ate Dykstra, of Kent county, who proposes to split the weight tax three ways, to give the cities, villages and townships one third, based on their motor vehicle registrations, one third to the counties and one third to the state.

The first move to remove liquor law violations from the mandatory life sentence provision of the criminal code was made in the house by Rep. Vincent P. Dacey, Detroit.

His plan includes the listing of the major felonies which would be punishable by mandatory life terms for fourth offenses. The felonies listed in his bill are murder, robbery, robbery armed, burglary, assault with intent to do great bodily harm, common law and statutory rape, forgery, perjury and arson or attempts to commit any of those offenses. Dacey's bill was referred to the judiciary committee of the house.

Other plans for amending the code's habitual criminal provision are being considered. Wilber M. Brucker, attorney general, is preparing an amendment under which persons convicted of four violations of the liquor law would be liable to mandatory prison terms ranging between 7 1/2 and 15 years instead of life imprisonment as the code now provides. This amendment is to be offered as the administration plan for clarifying the code.

The administration appropriation bill providing for a total of \$67,793,149 for the biennium was introduced by Rep. Fred McEachern, Hudsonville, chairman of the ways and means committee, and referred to that committee.

Armistice Day would be made a legal holiday in Michigan according to a measure offered by Rep. Frank Wade, Flint.

Rep. Joseph E. Warner, Ypsilanti, submitted a bill which would relieve owners of motor vehicles from liability for injury or damage sustained by gratuitous passengers.

Senator Herbert J. Bushon, of Escanaba, introduced a bill of considerable importance to insurance policy holders. This has to do with permitting legal process out of any justice court so that a policy-holder seeking suit against a domestic insurance concern could go into court in the county where he resides rather than have to start suit in the county where the concern is located, as is the case under the present law, regulating domestic insurance concerns only.

A bill brought into the Senate by Senator Charles Richardson, of Marquette, provides for an amendment to the state law requiring a uniform system of accounting, enabling the state's attorney general to request an audit of the books of any state or county department or institution when conditions warrant such request and extending the system and provisions for each requested audit down to certain townships and school districts.

Another bill by Senator Richardson would enable a taxpayer to request a similar audit at his own expense, when conditions warrant it, with provision for recompense in case discrepancies were found as charged by the taxpayer.

Other bills introduced just before the Legislature recessed provided for making it impossible for either one of a couple securing a divorce to remarry within one year and making it optional with the court to extend this period to a maximum of two years where conditions warrant it; paying compensation to state supreme court justices at one-half their regular pay after retirement when they have served on the Supreme bench 10 years or attained the age of 70 years while in service; prohibiting the making of any charge for accepting motor vehicle license applications; authorizing township boards to make improvements in certain platted lands and assess taxes and making a legal holiday of Armistice Day.

The Legislature adjourned on the 11th until Monday, Jan. 21st to enable the regular committee junkies.

Bright Blue Popular



Bright blue creates many of Hollywood's smartest costumes this season. Doris Hill, screen star, uses this color for a street costume, combining gray caracul fur and animated blue tweed with excellent results. The hat repeats the blue in a new material called twenty felt.

FIFTY YEARS OF CRIME

Sometime ago Clarence Darrow, on being asked about our crime problem, said that "during my half-century of practice, society has made no material advance in treatment of crime and the criminal."

His opinion is in striking contrast with the activities of reformers who spend much of their time devising "cures" for the disease of crime.

In that half-century of which Mr. Darrow speaks, thousands of criminal laws have gone on the statute books. Panaceas have been offered, and many of them accepted. And yet crime continues and flourishes. Every new law passed means, more law-breaking.

The number of people, for example, who have been made law-breakers by such ordinances as those designed to prevent ownership of revolvers and pistols, cannot be estimated. Yet such laws are proposed to "prevent" crime. But who ever heard of a criminal paying any attention to an anti-gun law? An anti-automobile law would be as sensible, on the theory that if automobiles were taken away from all law-abiding citizens, the criminal would thereby be deprived of their use in his depredations.

Mere multiplicity of laws do not deter the criminal. He will have his gun and his automobile though the statute books sag with enactments forbidding him those commodities. "Freak" laws make all laws less respected.

We need fewer laws but with sharper teeth to punish criminals, if we wish to check crime; not more laws to destroy rights and privileges of law-abiding citizens.

After the Kellogg pact gets war officially outlawed the only place that the war god will have left to make his home will be in Chicago.

HERMAN LUNDEN DROPS DEAD

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prospects or career. He died at 69 with unnumbered friends.

He maintained homes at Gaylord and Lewiston, but in the larger sense he was a resident of Northwestern Michigan. Virtually every county and city and town in this area looked upon him as one of their own citizens. He was as much at home in one as in another and in all were scores from every walk of life who called him "Herman" and to whom he was a friend.

His philosophy of life was one of his beautiful elements. No one ever heard Herman Lunden say an unkind word about anyone. A difference of opinion, religion, politics, conservation, or other matters meant nothing to Herman Lunden. In fact some of his staunchest friends were persons who disagreed with him on some subject.

An ardent conservationist, he was vigorously interested in the conservation of wild life, recreational areas, forests, etc. He served two terms on the state conservation commission under former governor Alex Grossbeck. He personally originated the idea and built the first forest fire tower in Michigan. The lumbering firm with which he was associated was one of the first, if not the first, to institute safeguards against forest fires in cleared areas. No conservation meeting in the state was complete without the presence of Herman Lunden and no distance was too far nor personal inconvenience too great to prevent his attendance.

One of the phases of his life about which little was known and about which he was reluctant to talk was his charities. These were always made quietly and unostentatiously.

The education of boys was one of his hobbies. Many there are now in the practicing professions who know of his benefactions in this regard. These delicately tendered aids were usually made in a manner to permit the student to repay loans as and if they wished. The boys who were called from his home county to the Great War remember concrete evidences of his interest in their welfare, the boys who attended the Four H camp at Gaylord will cherish his memory for the same reason and the girls who attended summer camps in that vicinity will recall his tender manifestations of affection.

For years Mr. Lunden supplied a Christmas tree to the Bay City Kiwanis for use at their annual Christmas party to the children of Bay City. The furnishing of this tree was as eagerly looked forward to by Mr. Lunden as was attendance at the party by any of the children.

To one whose relationship with him was more or less casual through business, a catalogue of his virtues and invaluable qualities of mind would fill a volume. This is because the mere question of his name to an acquaintance invariably resulted in the recital of some act of kindness or consideration. So, any effort to recapitulate his manliness, rectitude, probity and characterfulness must necessarily seem ineffectual and futile.

Mr. Lunden was vice president of Kneeland Bigelow Co., lumber manufacturers, Bay City; president of the Gaylord State Bank, Gaylord; principal owner of H. Lunden & Co., bankers, Lewiston; member of the executive committee and past president of the Northwestern Michigan Development Bureau and former member of the Michigan Conservation Commission. Fraternally Mr. Lunden was a Mason, belonging to Lewiston Lodge, No. 418, F. & A. M., Gaylord Chapter, No. 119, R. A. M., Bay City Consistory and Detroit Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and Moslem Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Detroit. He was also a founder and life member of the Au Sable Club, a member of the Gaylord Country Club, and an honorary member of the Bay City Kiwanis Club and of Clyde Wills Post, No. 1518, Veterans of Foreign Wars of America. He was also president of the Northern Michigan Road Commissioners' Association and president of the Osego County Fair Association. He was one of the organizers of the Top 'O Michigan Potato Show.

He is survived by his widow, one son, Lester, of Gaylord; one daughter, Mrs. Joseph Miller, Detroit, two grandchildren, and three sisters, Mrs. Ellen Blixberg, Bay City; Mrs. Ida Blixberg, Kawkawlin, and Mrs. Emma Netterstrom, Detroit.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at Bay City with burial in Elm Lawn cemetery.

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NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Hoover Spends Week in the Capital Conferring and Building a Cabinet.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

PRESIDENT-ELECT HOOVER spent the week in Washington conferring with President Coolidge, Secretary of the Treasury Mellon and others prominent in the Republican party. Besides discussing German reparations, farm relief, an extra session of Congress and other problems, he was busily selecting at least some of the ten members of his cabinet. But he was firm in his determination not to make public any results of his conferences and cogitations. Washington correspondents were compelled to guess, and they did a lot of guessing.

As to the new cabinet, the guessers were almost unanimous in the belief that Mr. Mellon would retain the treasury portfolio. It was said this was settled even before the election. Soon after his arrival Mr. Hoover had luncheon and a long talk with the financier, probably concerning the European project to liquidate German reparations and the war debts owed the United States. The scaling down of those debts to America was formerly a matter on which Hoover and Mellon were in sharp disagreement. The deep interest Mr. Hoover displays in Latin-America intensifies the belief that his secretary of state will be Ambassador Dwight W. Morrow, who has done such excellent work in establishing amicable relations with Mexico. For the same reason some of the correspondents think Mr. Hoover will select for secretary of commerce Dr. Julius Klein, who, as chief of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, helped greatly the expansion of American trade with Latin-America.

That the southern border states will be given representation in the cabinet is taken for granted, and one of the most conspicuous candidates is Mrs. A. T. Hert of Kentucky, a vice chairman of the Republican national committee. She wants the place of secretary of the interior, and last week several Republican congressmen from Kentucky urged Mr. Hoover to give her that place or make her postmaster general. No woman has ever been a member of an American cabinet. The interior department portfolio also was asked for Bacon Slomp of Virginia. William J. Donovan's claims on an appointment are strong and it was thought he might be made either attorney general or, more likely, secretary of war. One of Mr. Hoover's callers was Senator Smith W. Brookhart of Iowa and it was his purpose to warn the President-Elect that the Republican rifts in the senate would make a difficult fight against confirmation of either Mr. Mellon or Mr. Donovan. Semi-officially it was stated Mr. Hoover did not expect to complete his cabinet until just before his inauguration. He was soon to go to Miami Beach for a rest, intending to return to Washington by February 15 to continue that job. This plan will make his projected visits to Cuba, Haiti, Porto Rico and Mexico City rather hurried.

Representatives of agricultural states told the President-Elect they would rather have an extra session for the handling of farm relief legislation. They think a more satisfactory bill may be passed under Hoover than under Coolidge, and they would rather have the former appoint the federal farm board. The Pennsylvania delegation in congress wants the extra session also to take up the matter of tariff revision upward.

DEBATE on the ratification of the Kellogg anti-war treaty brought out a lot of oratory in the senate, the most persistent speakers being those demanding reservations and interpretive statements. Pacifists were given credit for delaying action on the treaty, their idea being that this would help them in defeating the 15-cruiser naval bill. Senator Borah was confident that there were enough votes for the treaty without reservation or interpretation.

In the house right-of-way under special rule was given the bill for re-apportionment of the house membership on the basis of the 1930 census. The measure, which is sponsored by Chairman Penn of the census committee, would divide the representatives by the major fraction plan, which would result in the loss of about twenty-three representatives by some states and an equal gain by others, particularly those in the Middle and Far West, where the population has greatly increased since 1910, the last time an apportionment was made on the basis of a population of 91,641,197.

MICHIGAN'S "life for a plant" law and the plight of its latest victim, Mrs. Etta Mae Miller, stirred up a lively clash in the house. During the debate, precipitated by a dry defender of the Michigan code, who seized the opportunity to compare the alleged past record of Mrs. Miller with the "moral lapses" of Sebastian S. Kresge, millionaire chain store owner and a chief contributor to the Anti-Saloon league.

The same day Senator Harris of Georgia offered an amendment to the deficiency appropriation bill adding \$50,000,000 for prohibition enforcement, and he said if this was defeated he would submit a similar rider to every appropriation bill brought to the senate.

In Ottawa, Canada, a conference on liquor smuggling was being held by delegates from the United States and the Dominion, and the former didn't do so well. They tried to persuade the Canadians to refuse papers to vessels seeking to clear for United States ports with liquor cargoes, but the reply of the Canada was in effect an inquiry why the United States could not arrange her own laws to handle the problem instead of asking the

from the navy. They also quoted former American prohibition officials as saying that liquor smuggled from Canada formed only a small portion of the total amount consumed in the country, and implied, in effect, "Why all the excitement about this small source?"

ALL records for sustained flight in an aircraft of any description were smashed by the army's big trimotored plane Question Mark over southern California. Manned by Maj. Carl Spaatz, Capt. Ira Baker, Lieut. E. A. Halverson and Lt. H. Quesada and Sgt. Roy Moore, the plane was refueled in the air 93 times and flew for 350 hours, 40 minutes and 15 seconds before trouble with two of its motors forced it to a landing at the starting point on the Los Angeles air field. The practicability of refueling of airplanes while en route was demonstrated, and this was said by the army air officers to be the major purpose of the flight. The members of the crew were supplied with food by the fuel planes and came out of the ordeal in excellent physical condition.

Air mail and passenger service between the United States and the West Indies was inaugurated last week by the Pan-American Airways, Inc., operating company for the Aviation Corporation of the Americas. The trimotored plane Havana was first on the route, with distinguished passengers, including Miss Amelia Earhart. At Havana its mail was transferred to another plane which took off for Santiago de Cuba en route to Porto Rico. About the same time the service was started from Porto Rico. Igor Sikorsky, famous Russian airplane constructor, told in London of the plan of himself and others to establish a 48-hour air service across the Atlantic ocean, which will be worked with the aid of four artificial islands to be anchored in the Atlantic.

QUARRELS between the Croats and the Serbs in the Kingdom of Yugoslavia have resulted in the addition of another dictatorship to the growing list in Europe. King Alexander, declaring that the parliamentary system had failed completely, abrogated the constitution and dissolved parliament, the land assemblies and municipal councils, and assumed absolute power himself, with Gen. Peter Zivkovic, commander of the royal bodyguards, as his premier. The Croats were at first pleased by the coup, and the Serb politicians were correspondingly depressed. Later, when it appeared that the military dictatorship would be long lived, none of them liked it so well. The king first clamped on a strict censorship; next he issued an entire new set of laws, completely changing the Yugoslavian jurisprudence, and then he issued a proclamation forbidding all public assemblage in the kingdom. Italy and Great Britain are intensely interested in these developments, and it is said the British government is far from satisfied with Alexander's action.

WHITE RUSSIANS everywhere were in mourning for Grand Duke Nicholas, chief claimant to the throne, who died in Cannes, France. He was a cousin of the late Czar Nicholas II and in the World War made a reputation as a great military commander. His nephew, Grand Duke Cyril, has now become the head of the Russian imperialists.

WORK of the Pan-American confederation congress in Washington culminated in the signing of compulsory arbitration and conciliation treaties by representatives of the United States and nineteen Latin American nations. The arbitration treaty provides for obligatory arbitration of all juridical questions it has not been possible to adjust by diplomacy. The conciliation treaty provides for conciliation of all disputes arising between the signatory nations which cannot be settled by diplomacy. All nations are bound to submit their disputes to conciliation but are not bound by the decisions rendered. Permanent commissions are established and obligated to attempt to mediate disputes before they reach the dangerous stage. Under this treaty no contracting country can go to war for 18 months without violating the pact.

Secretary of State Kellogg announced the appointment of Brig. Gen. Frank R. McCoy as American member of the conciliation commission, which will attempt to mediate the differences between Bolivia and Paraguay.

IF HOSTILITIES do not break out between China and Japan it will not be the fault of the Japanese. The latest trouble is in Hankow. A Chinaman was killed there by a motor cycle operated by a Japanese marine, and the Japanese consul refused to pay the compensation demanded. An anti-Japanese society picketed the Japanese concession, practically isolating it, and the reply of Japan was the landing of a strong force of marines in Hankow. Chinese Nationalist officials filed protests and warned Japan of the danger of serious results, and the Nanking government sent a navy squadron into Tsingtao harbor, which is occupied by the Japanese navy.

Let 'Er Go, Professor

"To be a successful tap dancer," an authorily announces, "you must put everything you've got into your work." In other words you must put your heart and soul into it.—Farm and Fireside.

Sickly Boy, 7, Gains 15 lbs. Father Happy

"My boy, 7, would not eat. I gave him Vinol and the way he eats and plays now makes me happy. He gained 15 pounds."—J. F. Andrea.

Vinol is a delicious compound of cod liver peptones, iron, etc. The very first bottle often adds several pounds weight to thin children and adults. Nervous, easily tired, weak people are surprised how Vinol gives new pep, sends sleep off to the devil, and makes delicious. —Mac & Gidley, Druggists.



Too Much!

SCHOOL NOTES

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team. The team, in the order of their speeches were, Jerome Kesseler, Mary Mahucke, and Thorvald Sorenson. The team regrets that Nels Olson, our business manager and secretary, was not able to accompany us. Nels was ill with the flu.

Student Council

The student council held its regular meeting last Wednesday. They are about to select a creed which will be the rules of the school, necessary for the betterment of the pupils. Another wise move was the adoption of a method of depositing school funds together. This will be called the "Associated School Fund". A motion was passed that we meet for only forty minutes every week.

Mrs. Cushman was absent from her duties last Thursday and Friday because of illness. Margaret Warren substituted.

There are still some missing from our classes on account of sickness. We all hope that they will be back soon.

The Twelfth grade Civics class has completed the book and will study Economics next semester.

The English Literature class has just completed the study of Addison and Steele.

The U. S. History class has studied that period of history when Texas was annexed to the U. S. Miss Estee read us a very interesting account of "The Alamo."

Elsie Johnson spent the week end at her home in Roscommon.

Oldest Pupil in Grayling High School

Mrs. Bogue—What century are you living in?

Marshall Sisco—The nineteenth.

Ella Fehr is back in school after being absent because her mother was ill with the flu.

The English Literature students have turned in their second book report for this six weeks.

We wonder why Mr. Cushman wants to know the time—Well perhaps Santa was good—Ask the Geometry class, they'll explain.

Wesley Sammons has been on the sick list for almost two weeks. All of his friends and classmates extend wishes for a speedy recovery.

Theodore Wheeler of Detroit, a former student of this school, visited high school Friday afternoon.

Margaret Larson visited school last Thursday.

Several very interesting current events were given in Miss Lewis's Chemistry classes last week. They were events pertaining only to that subject.

Our debating team entertains Gaylord here on January 25. If the people will only turn out and support the team I know we stand a very good chance of winning.

A Pittsburgh man hugged a woman against her will and the jury awarded her \$12,500 damages. Next time maybe he will be a little more careful about his pressing engagements.

THINGS I CAN'T UNDERSTAND ABOUT MEN

The American Magazine published two articles, entitled "Things I Can't Understand About Women" and "Things I Can't Understand About Men." The following is a part of the second article. It is the sort of thing every man likes to read to his wife.

"If you want to know what I really can't understand about men," said this woman, "I'll tell you! I can't understand how they have the courage to face their responsibilities in life. To me it is incredible that they are willing to accept the burdens they have to carry.

"Any man could get along easily and comfortably if he had only himself to take care of. He would be free to enjoy himself. He could have every dollar he earned. He could go where he pleased, consulting only his own inclination.

"If I were in his situation, it seems to me I would be too selfish, and too much of a coward to marry. Even if I were willing to give up my freedom, I should be afraid to make myself responsible for the care of a wife and family. I'd hesitate for fear I couldn't swing the job. That nine out of ten have the sheer nerve to do this is a marvel to me.

"I can't understand their courage in taking the inevitable hard knocks that come in the course of business, or whatever work they do for a living. I can't understand their fighting spirit. I can't understand how they can be knocked down, figuratively speaking, then come back grimly and go on with the struggle.

"I can't understand the dogged persistence with which so many men go on, year after year, plodding at the treadmill of routine work. Some of them know that if they could cut loose they might be happy and successful in another sort of job. But in taking on the care of a family they have shackled themselves hopelessly. They can't be free to follow their dream.

"I can't understand why some men submit to half a lifetime of nagging. Between you and me, I'm pretty positive that I would break those shackles! I can't understand why more men don't do it. I'm terribly afraid I should manage somehow to make my escape."

The Ohio Sun says, "An Ann Arbor, Michigan court has ruled that golf is educational. Without it some men would have practically no knowledge of profanity."

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A Community is Defenseless—

The citizens of a community can mistreat it and deny it their good will and trade. They can go to the larger city and do their shopping and deprive their local merchants of the trade necessary to make their business prosper and thrive until it is necessary to reduce stock carried and employ less help.

Every citizen of the town can carry on this sort of warfare against home institutions and the community can not resist it. It can not plead its own case—it is defenseless.

But the time comes when everyone knows that the community is losing out. The stores look a little more shabby and a little more ragged. Stocks aren't so good or so large. Less clerks are employed, less taxes paid, less income earned, and still the community does not rebel—it goes down and down until the people wake up and realize that this thing called "Our Community" is after all their community and the only way to build it up and keep its institutions prosperous and thriving is to be loyal to them and support them generously and whole heartedly.

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